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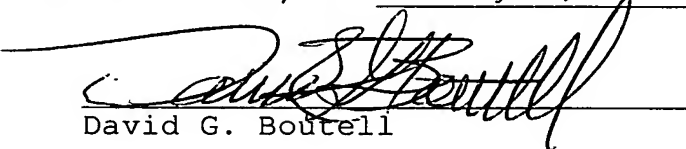
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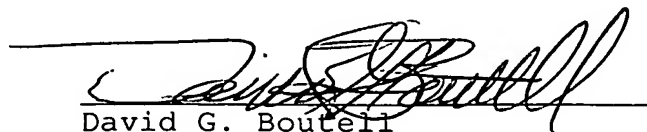
Sir:

This is in response to the Requirement for Election/Restriction mailed December 14, 2006. In the Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 USC §121:

- I. Claims 1-6, drawn to a copper alloy, classified in Class 420, Subclass 470+.
- II. Claims 7-18, drawn to a method of manufacturing using a copper alloy, classified in Class 29, Subclass 2+.

Applicants hereby elect invention I, Claims 1-6, without traverse. Further favorable consideration of the claims is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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